

## BRIBERY INQUIRY ORDERED IN TRENTON

Senate Stalled by Admissions by  
Senator Fitzherbert of  
Morris.

\$5,000 THE AMOUNT NAMED

Information on Which the Legislators  
Decided to Begin the In-  
vestigation.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 20.—Charges that Senator Richard Fitzherbert of Morris county solicited a \$5,000 bribe were made before the Senate Committee on Judiciary this afternoon. Senator Fitzherbert denies the charges. The Senate has ordered that an investigation be made.

Although the Senate had planned a busy afternoon the knowledge that one of its members had been so seriously attacked put a damper on the work of the day and adjournment was taken.

Groups of legislators gathered about the halls to discuss the statements made before the Judiciary Committee, and admitted by Senator Fitzherbert, that he agreed to do what he could to kill certain bills providing certain people got the money. The Senators were amazed. Some were angry, others thought there might be something yet unsaid on behalf of the Morris member. Then it was decided to have an executive session.

Before the executive session was called Senator Fielder and Senator Fitzherbert had a long talk, the result of which is said to have been that Fielder told Fitzherbert to go home and engage the best counsel that he could. Fielder is the minority member of the Judiciary Committee and heard all of the testimony.

In the executive session the Senators talked long and earnestly about the matter. They were astonished by the evidence but anxious that everything possible be done for Fitzherbert. A resolution drawn by Senator Gebhardt, against whom disbarment proceedings had been begun earlier in the afternoon, was adopted. Senator Gebhardt had to leave to catch a train and the resolution was presented by Senator Leavitt. It provides that the Judiciary Committee of the Senate make an investigation into all matters pertaining to Senate bills 79 and 110, bills regulating the use of acetylene gas on railroad trains. Senator Fitzherbert's name is not mentioned in the resolution.

Senator Fitzherbert admitted before the Judiciary Committee that he had agreed to report to the man who had induced him to introduce two bills restricting the manufacture and use of acetylene gas an offer of \$5,000 to consent to the withdrawal of the bills and that he had told a supposed representative of the Commercial Acetylene Company of New York that he would withdraw the bills if the sponsor so desired.

Immediately after the disclosures the Senate went into executive session, discussed the charges and the admissions of Senator Fitzherbert and decided to order a thorough investigation. In the open session which followed the Senate directed the Judiciary Committee to conduct a thorough investigation.

The Judiciary Committee, composed of Senator Edge of Atlantic, Senator Reed of Camden and Senator Fielder of Hudson, had a conference with Assistant Attorney-General Gaskill to-night to determine the procedure to be followed in making the investigation. If the allegations should be substantiated Senator Fitzherbert may face impeachment proceedings for misconduct in office.

Under the evidence thus far produced the committee believes there is nothing to justify an allegation involving him in the bribery scandal, and as the charge of conspiracy would be difficult of proof it is probable that the committee will fall back on the old common law practice of suggesting his trial for malfeasance in office.

The allegations against the Senator were outlined to Gov. Wilson just before his departure for Kansas this afternoon. The Governor said that he believed the utmost publicity should be given the affair, though he had no time to consider the charge in detail to-day.

During the hearing which resulted in the disclosures Senator Fitzherbert sat apparently unmoved. He grew pale when the hearing progressed and his conclusion remarked that the allegations against him were untrue.

The two bills under consideration were Senate bill 79, introduced by Senator Fitzherbert, "by request," which would abolish the use of acetylene gas on passenger trains, and Senate bill 110, which would prevent the manufacture of such gas within a prescribed distance of any residence or other building. Senator Fitzherbert explained that he had introduced both measures in the request of a constituent, who had developed later was Dr. G. S. Ridner, proprietor of a sanitarium at Lakehurst, Morris county. Senator Fitzherbert said he understood the hearing was to have been postponed, otherwise he would have had the sponsor to explain the need of proposed legislation.

Dean F. Osby, general manager of the Commercial Acetylene Company told the committee that nearly two months ago he had informed him of the proposed legislation of the bills and offered his assistance. Ridner told Osby that the passage of the bills would injuriously affect his company and suggested that he be permitted to introduce legislation.

Ridner refused to give details at that time, but said "I cannot fight in the dark. When the bills are introduced I will talk things to you."

On January 3 Ridner again called upon Osby and the ensuing conversation was "taken down by stenographers listening from an open tram. On the following day Ridner again called and showed large copies of the first bill. Three weeks later he exhibited a copy of another bill, which he said that because Senate bill 110 would not take effect until the year 1915, he would introduce legislation and Ridner suggested that he should be permitted to keep the bill.

## HASLETT COUSIN AND LORD REACH AGREEMENT

Compromise Announced and Official Report of the Alienists Will Be Accepted.

LAST WILL SEVEN YEARS OLD

Lawyer Refused to Make Another Yesterday—Court Names Protector for Old Hermit.

Attorney John B. Lord, who caused the arrest of ex-Senator Frank J. Gardner and nurse George H. Decker on charges of conspiring with intent to defraud Samuel E. Haslett, the old recluse, has joined forces with Mrs. Ellen Haslett Samuel, the relative who on Monday started a move in court to obtain the appointment of a committee to pass upon the hermit's mental and physical competency.

At a conference which continued all yesterday afternoon Attorney Lord and Lawyer Eugene Philbin, representing Mrs. Samuel, agreed to accept the official report of the three alienists who examined Mr. Haslett Monday and who will further study his condition this morning. Mr. Lord gave the news of the conference early this morning.

The alienists' official report will be presented before Judge Lewis L. Fawcett in the Brooklyn County Court Friday morning, the date he set in his order giving Mrs. Samuel's plea Monday for Attorney Lord and Gardner to appear and show cause why the committee should not be appointed to take charge of Haslett's person and property.

The alienists already have said unofficially that the old hermit was undoubtedly incompetent when he signed the two wills and power of attorney to Gardner in his musty old house at 138 Remsen street, Brooklyn, last week. They added, however, that Haslett had recuperated wonderfully under proper treatment and that he probably soon would be able to take care of himself.

Mr. Lord, in his statement, named the three alienists about whose identity there has been much speculation. They are Dr. Henry B. Milton, Haslett's physician for years past, and Drs. Wilson and Butler of Manhattan. Incidentally, the attorney gave the information that the last will he had drawn for the recluse was signed seven years ago.

"But Mr. Haslett asked me this morning to prepare another will," he added. "However, I wouldn't draw up one under the present circumstances. The old man would have to run me a footrace first. I wouldn't take a chance on having a statement of that kind resting on me."

Here is Mr. Lord's statement made verbally following a night conference with Chief Magistrate Kemper and acting District Attorney John M. Perry:

I saw Mrs. Samuel's lawyer, Eugene Philbin, this afternoon and we had a conference in my office. They agreed to accept the report of my alienists when it is placed officially before the court on Friday morning. The doctors who examined Mr. Haslett are Dr. Henry D. Minton and Drs. Wilson and Butler, who were chosen by Dr. Minton to assist him. These alienists already have expressed the unofficial opinion that Mr. Haslett was incompetent when he signed the two Gardner wills, but now is competent. The alienists will make another examination this morning.

Mrs. Samuel's attorney told me that her action was merely to protect the relatives' interests. As my object is the same we quickly got together.

This evening I have been talking to Chief Magistrate Kemper and acting District Attorney Terry. We merely went over the evidence against Gardner and Decker. I feel confident that Haslett is brightening up every day and will soon be a well man.

While the afternoon conference was proceeding Judge Fawcett named Marcus B. Campbell, Republican leader of Kings county, as the official protector of the old man.

Between now and Friday all papers must be served on Campbell, not on Haslett.

The appointment of Campbell was a mere matter of form, as a person whose competency in question is not considered the proper one on whom to serve papers. Mr. Campbell has notified Mr. Haslett of the proceedings against him and will appear in court on Friday to see that Mr. Haslett's interests are protected.

If Mr. Haslett is represented by counsel Mr. Campbell will withdraw. If not he will move the court to appoint counsel to protect the defendant's interests. The authority given Mr. Campbell in this case extends neither to the person nor to the estate of the alleged incompetent.

It refers merely to the legal preliminaries incident to the opening of a case of this kind. An appointment of this kind is made on the judge's initiative.

The sudden shutting off of all information followed acting District Attorney Perry's stepping into the case. He held conferences yesterday with Mr. Lord and with Chief Magistrate Kemper and also conducted an investigation at which several witnesses were examined, but refused to give out the substance of anything that transpired. A rumor that more arrests might follow a statement made by Dr. J. T. Devo could not be confirmed.

Dr. Devo made the statement to Chief Magistrate Kemper and to Mr. Perry. He claims that it was almost identical with the one already published, that it names no new party to the alleged conspiracy to defraud the recluse out of his estate and that he does not see how it can lead to additional arrests.

The two wills which Decker claims that Gardner had Mr. Haslett sign have not yet been found and a search of the house in Remsen street has convinced the authorities that they are not to be found there.

Attorney Lord was credited with a statement yesterday to the effect a fourth will was in existence. This paper, it was reported, was in the possession of Henry W. Beebe, a lawyer, 267 Henry street, Brooklyn. It was said to have been executed fifteen years ago.

Mr. Beebe at night would not admit holding such a will. Neither would he deny it. He did say, however, that some years ago he transacted certain legal business for Mr. Haslett.

## DOCTOR ARNOLD CASE BLACKMAIL ARREST

Her Father Got Threats and Demands for Money From "O. Russell."

BESSIE GREEN ARRESTED

Detectives Trained Her a Long Time and Experts Have Passed on Her Handwriting.

Francis R. Arnold, the father of Dorothy Arnold, who disappeared in December, 1910, and who has since then received many threatening letters, believes that his most persistent snayer is under arrest. The girl whom he accuses is Bessie Green, a negro, 23 years old, who lives at 14 West 133d street. She was arrested yesterday in the District Attorney's office, and Magistrate Barlow in the West Side court held her in \$5,000 bail for examination to-day on a charge of attempted blackmail.

Within the last year Mr. Arnold has received about three dozen threatening letters. Beginning with June 2 last a series of letters, apparently written by the same hand, began to come to the Arnold house at 105 East Seventy-ninth street. The letters were generally short, the scrawling handwriting in even the longest not taking up more than two pages.

They made demands for sums varying from \$1,000 to \$8,000 and threatened, in case the demands were not complied with, either that Mr. Arnold would be shot on sight by the writer or that a family scandal would be disclosed. On June 21 a letter was delivered at the house with a box. The letter directed that a large sum of money be placed in the box and that the box and money be sent to an address in West 127th street. A registered letter was sent to that address and remained unclaimed. There were no more letters until November 4, when Mr. and Mrs. Arnold returned from Europe.

Through advertisements they got in touch with the writer of the letters, but owing to the publication of a visit made by Mr. Arnold to Police Headquarters, according to Mr. Keith, they were not able to meet the blackmailer face to face.

District Attorney Whitman and Detectives Flood and Russo found that the letters had requested an answer to be sent to a box in the Harlem office of a morning newspaper. The name given was O. Russell. A negro had obtained possession of that box by advertising a reward for the return of a package "lost on West Seventy-second street."

The detectives answered a letter received on February 12 in which a demand for \$1,350 was made and were told to write to "O. Russell," care of Mr. Greenblatt at 121 St. Nicholas avenue, for further instructions. Greenblatt is superintendent of the apartment there. Some one claiming to be a former employee in the house had asked him to receive a letter there addressed to "O. Russell."

Mack Williams, a negro bellhop in an apartment house at 12 West Ninety-second street, got the letter. He said a woman had asked him to get the letter for her and stick it in the Long Island section of the telephone booth on his desk and that she would call for it on Saturday night and leave a dollar in place of it.

Bessie Green came and got the letter from Mack and handed him a dollar. The detectives questioned her. She said she was a nurse and governess and that a woman had called her on the telephone saying she had heard of Bessie and thought she could find work for her.

"The lady told me," Bessie told the detectives, "that I should come here and get a letter for her and take it to a house on 127th street [Bessie gave the number but the detectives won't] and she would find work for me."

Although the address on 127th street was the same as that to which the box of money was to have been sent months before, the detectives let Bessie go. They kept a sharp watch on her, questioned her frequently and got some specimens of her handwriting. These were given to William J. Kinsley and David N. Carvalho, handwriting experts, who were sure that they were written by the same hand which wrote the fifteen threatening letters to Mr. Arnold.

Yesterday Bessie was taken to the office of Assistant District Attorney Reynolds and questioned at considerable length. Both Mr. Reynolds and John S. Keith, Mr. Arnold's lawyer, believe that Bessie is the blackmailer, and are alone in the business. She stanchly refused to tell them, however, whether she had an accomplice, sticking still to her first story of the mysterious woman who wanted a governess. Mr. Keith says that Bessie has never employed by the Arnolds and that he believes that the only reason Mr. Arnold was a target for her letters was that she had seen his name in the papers and believed him to be wealthy.

ANOTHER FAMILY OF 5 KILLED.

Voodoo Murderer Moves From Louisiana to Texas.

GALVESTON, Feb. 20.—The mysterious murder in Beaumont of the Pattie Dove family, colored, consisting of mother, three daughters and one son, has aroused the people of the western part of Louisiana and eastern part of Texas.

This makes seven families and thirty victims. In each case an axe was the weapon used and in each case no motive has been discovered.

The police are inclined to believe it is a religious fanatic's work, but so carefully has he covered up his tracks that the officers are without clues.

He wields an axe with certain effect, and even with three and four members of a family in one room he slays them one by one without a struggle from the victims.

The first crime was committed at Hayne, La., when five members of a family were killed. The next was at Crowley, where a family of five was killed. Two families at Lafayette of five each, a family of five at Lake Charles and another family of three at Crowley have been killed.

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## FOES OF HOME RULE BEATEN.

Unionist Attack on Asquith Cabinet Defeated by 321 to 231.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Unionist amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the Throne, complaining that the Government has not fulfilled its pledges to reconstitute the House of Lords, came to a vote in the House of Commons to-night and was beaten by 324 to 231.

The amendment was introduced yesterday by Frederick F. Smith, who alleged that the promised measure had not been introduced because of a conspiracy between the Ministry and the Irish Nationalists by which the home rule bill was to be forced through. This charge was indignantly denied by Sir John Simon, the Solicitor-General.

The attack on the Government was based on the fact that at the time the Lords' veto bill was passed the Government announced that the measure would be followed by another providing for the reconstruction of the upper chamber. The Government, according to recent statements, will introduce such a bill "when time permits." It insists that the home rule bill is of far more importance at the present time.

NABBED THREE IN SHADOW.

Big Hole in Jewelry Store Window Points to Attempted Burglary.

A man ran up to Policeman Wodicka at Fifth avenue and Twenty-ninth street a little before midnight last night and told him that he thought burglars were trying to break into a jewelry store at 11 West Twenty-ninth street.

Wodicka went down the block and nabbed a very small man who stood just within the shadow in front of the building.

The jewelry store occupies the ground floor of what used to be an old fashioned high stoop house. Pushing his prisoner before him, the policeman went down the steps to the door, where he found two men crouching. In the show window of the store in which Daniel Roth does business in jewelry and antiques was a big jagged hole, but although several highly ornamented clocks and vases were within easy reach and the hole was big enough to have admitted the little man caught in the street nothing, so far as the policeman could see, had been disturbed.

At the station house the little man said he was Thomas O'Brien, a driver, of 507 West 171st street, and that he didn't know the other men, having first met them when the policeman forced him down the steps. The other two men said they were John Connors of nowhere in particular and Martin J. Hone of 340 East Twenty-fourth street, recently discharged from the army. They had sought the shelter of the stoop for a night's lodging, they said, and knew nothing about the broken window. All three were charged with attempted burglary.

MRS. MAXWELL IN SANITARIUM.

Move to Free Widow of Borough Bank President Who Is Detained at Easton.

Mrs. Howard Maxwell, widow of the president of the defunct Borough Bank of Brooklyn, has been in the Easton Sanitarium at Easton, Pa., for the past four years under no commitment as insane. Judge R. C. Stewart of the Pennsylvania Court of Common Pleas granted yesterday a writ of habeas corpus directing Supt. C. S. Kinney to produce Mrs. Maxwell before him next Monday morning.

The application for the writ was made by Mrs. Florence M. Creagh of 501 West 148th street, long a friend of Mrs. Maxwell, who has been ignorant of Mrs. Maxwell's whereabouts until recently.

Howard Maxwell committed suicide late in 1907 after the failure of the Borough Bank. In February, 1908, Mrs. Maxwell was placed in the sanitarium. W. E. Macready, a brother of Mrs. Maxwell, signed the application for the order of commitment and two Easton physicians made affidavits that Mrs. Maxwell was insane.

In her petition asking for the writ Mrs. Creagh says that she was unable to get any information from the family of Mrs. Maxwell or from Frank Doolittle, secretary to William Gow, as to Mrs. Maxwell from the middle of February, 1908, until the middle of the present month.

Mrs. Creagh says in her petition that Mrs. Maxwell told her that application was made to Surrogate Ketchum in Brooklyn on May 27, 1908, to have the letters of administration already issued to Mrs. Maxwell revoked.

Frank W. Doolittle and William Maxwell, a brother of Howard Maxwell, were then appointed administrators. Mrs. Creagh recently visited Mrs. Maxwell in the sanitarium and from her conversation with Mrs. Maxwell believes her to be sane and to be unjustly detained.

KILLS FATHER IN BANK.

Son Failing to Get \$25,000 Also Shoots Brother-in-law and Kills Himself.

DRAYTON, N. D., Feb. 20.—Failing to collect \$25,000 from his father, H. W. Wallace, a banker here, Rex Wallace shot and killed the elder man, seriously wounded his brother-in-law and then fired a bullet into his own brain here last night.

Father and son died instantly and it was some time before the wounded brother-in-law could crawl to the street and give the alarm.

The tragedy was enacted in the Wallace bank. Rex Wallace arrived from St. Paul on an evening train. Some weeks ago the son wrote his father a threatening letter in regard to the \$25,000, which he said had been promised to him by the elder Wallace. The tone of the letter did not alarm the banker and further correspondence led to the appointment for the conference in the bank here.

After the three men had gathered in the office of the bank the son renewed his demand and was refused by his father. He drew a revolver and began firing. The first bullet hit the elder Wallace and two others dropped the brother-in-law.

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## TORNADO KILLS EIGHT.

Sweeps Outskirts of Shreveport—Property Loss \$200,000.

SHREVEPORT, La., Feb. 20.—During the Mardi Gras celebration here this afternoon the outskirts of the city were swept by a tornado from the west.

Eight persons were killed instantly and a score injured. The property loss totals \$200,000.

FLEW ACROSS LAKE ERIE.

Young Aviator Lands in Canada From Erie, Pa., Nearly Frozen.

PORT DOVER, Canada, Feb. 20.—Earl Sandt, 23 years old, landed here this afternoon in an aeroplane in which he had successfully flown across Lake Erie from Erie, Pa., a distance of thirty miles, covered in twenty-four minutes. Although he negotiated a graceful landing Sandt was so numbed from cold that he had to be assisted from his seat in the aeroplane.

He said the trip had been marred by no untimely incident, but that he suffered terribly from the low temperature and cutting wind.

FROM \$12,500 TO \$150,000.

Mantegna's "Madonna and Child" Makes a Wonderful Advance in 9 Years.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BERLIN, Feb. 20.—A crowd of people prominent in the art world attended the sale to-day of the pictures by old masters which were the property of the late Herr Weber and which formerly graced the town hall of Hamburg. The collection was regarded as the finest in Germany.

Kleinberger, the Paris dealer, gave \$150,000 for Andrea Mantegna's "Madonna and Child." The same canvas was sold in London in 1903 for \$12,500.

It is understood that Kleinberger bought the picture in behalf of an American collector.

TWO BLIZZARDS COMING.

Severe Storms Reported From Northwest and Southwest.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.—Blizzards from the southwest and northwest are moving rapidly toward the Atlantic coast.

Street cars were blocked in St. Louis early this evening by blinding snow, which continues falling over a large territory.

Snow has fallen in Colorado and the Rocky Mountain region and sleet and snow are reported in the Texas Panhandle and Oklahoma and southern Kansas. Bad weather with snow and cold winds prevailed all over southern Missouri to-day.

The worst snowstorm in five years is on in the Southwest. In southern Oklahoma the snow is driven by a strong wind which is filling railroad cuts with wet snow.

Deep snow is reported along the upper Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

CHINA'S NEW FLAG GOING UP.

Minister Chang Will Invite Diplomats to Unfurling Ceremony in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Chang Yin Tang, the Minister of China to the United States, has announced that he will soon give an official reception to the Diplomatic Corps and American officials to witness the unfurling of the new Chinese flag of five colors.

Minister Chang was appointed by the Imperial Government and since a republic has been established he expects to be recalled. This, he explained, does not prevent his being loyal to his country and his flag, so he has hauled down the old yellow and black Chinese dragon which has been the flag of the Manchurian dynasty and will make an official ceremony of hoisting the new one.

SUBMARINES UNDER ICE.

Fleet Ready to Start for Unusual Tests in the Chesapeake.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 20.—Escorted by the consort Castine, submarine boats D-2 and D-3 left the navy yard to-day and anchored in Chesapeake Bay to-night preparatory to beginning submerged tests under the ice to-morrow.

The tests will be held off Cape Villo, Va., and it is said will be the most extensive yet attempted. Five other submarines now at the Norfolk Navy Yard will join the two up the bay this week and the seven will have submerged tests at the same time.

One thing to be attempted will be a searchlight drill under water. The ships will dive 100 yards apart and will attempt to find each other with their searchlights. There will be torpedo firing under water and it is said a sham battle will be fought.

HOT FIGHT IN HAYTI.

Forty Killed and Many Wounded on the Government Side—Mails by Sea.

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Justice Gerard's Decision in Favor of Brandt Is Expected To-day.

APPEAL IF WRIT IS UPHELD

Hand Hearing Stops Short to Put the Scandal End Up to the Governor.

Immediately after Judge Richard L. Hand adjourned the Brandt pardon hearing yesterday afternoon, on the ground that Gov. Dix must decide whether Mortimer L. Schiff, Mrs. Schiff and Howard S. Gans may testify, Attorney-General Carmody caught the first fast train for Albany to tell the Governor that unless Brandt is pardoned to-day Supreme Court Justice Gerard will sustain the writ of habeas corpus and probably denounce the prosecution of Brandt as a travesty of justice.

Mr. Carmody had been informed that if the Justice finds that he can delay no longer out of courtesy to Mr. Dix, he will have to make public an opinion which, based on the same records that the Governor reviewed, will be totally opposed to the Governor's conclusions. The only practical way, Mr. Carmody concludes, in which the Governor can give speedy justice to Brandt, as well as to save himself from embarrassment, will be to issue a pardon some time this afternoon.

If Justice Gerard sustains the writ District Attorney Whitman will appeal.

The first session of the pardon hearing produced an acrimonious fight between De Laney Nicoll, Paul D. Cravath and John D. Lindsay, counsel for Mr. Schiff and Mr. Gans, and Attorney-General Carmody and District Attorney Whitman, who were supported by Brandt's lawyers, Mirabeau L. Towns and Robert M. Moore.

Mr. Nicoll led the fight to get Judge Hand to permit Mortimer L. Schiff, Mrs. Mortimer L. Schiff and Howard S. Gans to appear as witnesses. He said they did not want immunity from prosecution and would not accept it. The Attorney-General and the District Attorney told Judge Hand that sections 58 of the Penal Law automatically grant immunity to witnesses who appear in such proceedings.

The District Attorney told the Commissioner flatly that he expected to indict for conspiracy certain witnesses whose appearance before Judge Hand be objected to.

Then Judge Hand declined to assume the responsibility of affording possible immunity to Mr. Schiff and Mr. Gans and adjourned the hearing until 11 A. M. Tuesday, February 27. Judge Hand left for Albany last night to have a conference with the Governor. Mr. Nicoll also went to Albany to submit briefs to Gov. Dix. It was confidently asserted last night that the Hand hearing is dead and that the Governor would be constrained to issue a pardon.

THE SCHAFFS WANT EVERYTHING TOLD.

Mr. Nicoll's speech before Judge Hand in the early part of the proceedings yesterday, in which he said that Mrs. Schiff, as well as Mr. Schiff and Gans, would like to have an opportunity of refuting false and scandalous stories that reflected on a woman's honor, was perhaps the most interesting feature of the day. Replying to the District Attorney's objection that in appearing for Schiff he represented merely a witness, not the complainant in the Brandt case, Mr. Nicoll said:

I represent the man, whether you call him the complainant or the witness, whose home was burglarized, whose person was assaulted, whose property was stolen and whose wife was slandered by this defendant. So I say that in any court or in any procedure I have and ought to have a voice and a chance. I want to say to your Honor if you are not familiar with the recent history of this proceeding that my client has not only been in view, and that is to let the people of the State of New York and all public officers know the full story of this transaction in all of its details.

We want nothing held back, whether it be the application to the Governor or the report of the Governor's official or anything else.

I say that my client and his counsel have been misrepresented to the people of the State of New York and pilloried in the public press by the vilest and most malicious lies that I have known of, and I want an opportunity to correct the injustice and to tell the tale fully. I want it to be told from the beginning to the end. I want every witness, every paper, every document spread upon this record so that you and all other Magistrates and all other prosecuting officers and the Governor himself may know this wicked tale from the beginning to the end, for it is a wicked tale. It is the tale of astonishing and unheard of wickedness. And in it, your Honor, are involved the honor of a respectable family and the reputation of a virtuous wife and mother.

I do not intend that anything shall be held back any longer. I intend to and will drag it into the light. I say that this prior made his application to the Governor for pardon on the ground that he was not guilty of burglary at all, but that he was in that house that night by the invitation of Mrs. Schiff, and I will expose and tear away the mask by which it is now pretended that he suffered in order to save the honor of a woman. I will show the hours and the place where was conceived the vile story which he put first in print. I will show you whose hand assisted him to pen, whose mind helped him to conceive it. I will prove to you

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